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High Water at Southport	7.80 A M
High Water at Wilmington	9.10 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 9.

Temperature, 8 a. m., 42°; 8 p. m., 53°. maximum, 63°; minimum, 40°; mean, 51°; Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, .19.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The high barometer area central over the South Atlantic coast continues with fair, warmer weather over the East and South. A storm area is over the Northwest, but with mostly fair, warmer weather under it.

Local forecast to 12 midnight Thursday: Fair, warmer weather, southerly winds.

Stage of river at Fayetteville at 8 a. m. 5.2 feet.

OUTLINES.

Senator Allen presented a resolution in the Senate that Congress should speedily acknowledge the political independence of Cuba. ——The House was in session only fifteen minutes; the pension appropriation bill was reported. ——Fall River cotton manufacturers voted to reduce wages of operatives, not less than ten per cent. ——Spanish newspapers comment variously upon the message of President McKinley; Premier Sagasta thinks it satisfactory. ——Secretary Gage says that during two years and a half only six American vessels were alleged to have successfully landed expeditions in Cuba. ——The President of Hayti issues a proclamation calling upon the people to cease quarrelling; all measures necessary to maintain order have been taken. ——Spanish officials report an engagement with Gen. Maximo Gomez's forces and claim to have captured the insurgent camp ——Senator Pritchard has introduced a bill to reduce the tax on spirits in bond to seventy cents per gallon. ——Negotiations are pending in which the Pennsylvania railroad is actively concerned, looking to the cessation of hostilities on Chesapeake bay between the Seaboard Air Line and Southern railroads. ——The holiday recess of Congress will probably extend from December 18th to January 3rd or 4th. ——Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, is sick with typhoid fever in Washington. ——The Japanese Minister at Washington says his government will stand firmly in maintenance of rights and privileges in Hawaii acquired by treaty. ——Gov. Atkinson's veto of the anti foot ball bill is sustained by the lower house of the Georgia Legislature. ——It is rumored that China has ceded Kiao-Chou bay to Germany. ——Gilmore McWilliams & Co., hardware dealers, Chicago, have failed, liabilities $800 000. ——James Murray, a constable of Sebastian county, Ark., lynched by a mob of coal miners. ——Mrs. McKinley continues to grow weaker; President McKinley, her son is still at her bedside. ——In granting permanent injunction restraining the city of Norfolk from collecting a special tax on newspapers, the court says the city cannot levy a tax that the State does not impose. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@3 per cent., last loan 2 and closed offered at 1½@3 per cent.; cotton dull—middling 5⅞c; flour firmly held but quiet; no higher; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 99c f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot firm, No. 2 38¾c f. o. b. afloat; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady at 33¾@33½c.

The trans-Siberian railroad will be equipped with American locomotives of which the Czar has ordered about a hundred.

The doctors of Patterson, N. J., are wrestling with numerous cases of typhoid fever, attributed to the impure milk sold in that town.

Mr. Bailey, of Texas, leader of the Democrats in the House, says he will make the Republicans show their hands. They will keep them closed when they do.

That Springfield, Mass., girl who ran away from college arrayed in "a black skirt and black flat cap" was rather thinly attired for this season. It is getting cool up there now.

The demand for rags for shoddy has increased under the Dingley tariff, the prices have gone up and the rag pickers in New York have gone on a strike for higher pay.

The shipment of arms and specie to the United States of Colombia, in anticipation of a Presidential election, indicates that they are getting ready to celebrate in the usual way.

If that book agent who killed kimself in Michigan had gone to Kentucky and waited until the season for shooting book agents had opened some one might have saved him the trouble.

Kaiser William may be interested in the report that the Russian Government is buying big stacks of shooting stuff and increasing its fighters on the Pacific side where they and the combustibles would be handy in case of a fracas.

Herr Bismarck has emerged from his isolation to remark that "American arrogance must be suppressed." Perhaps the old gentleman has not taken the dimensions of that job, assuming that there is some American arrogance lying around loose.

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The town of Brushy Fork, Ill., has a spinster who all because she was disappointed in love in the days of her confiding and unsophisticated youth hasn't spoken to a man in forty years and doesn't propose to have anything to do with them when she is dead, an event for which she is preparing. In her will she provides that no man shall have anything to do with her funeral, that the preacher, pall bearers, hearse driver and every one who participates in disposing of her remains shall be women.

Simon Sam couldn't stand the pressure. When he saw the guns of those ships pointed in his direction he preceeded with race horse celerity to salute the German flag and comply with the other demands. Great victory for the Kaiser. Having got Hayti off his hands, he can now proceed with his land grabbing in China until he runs up against something with more grit in it than poor old China.

Deacon Wood, of Barrington R. I., is in trouble all because instead of using persuasive methods on several devils that had taken possession of his wife he resorted to a summary process of ejecting them. The ejecting process consisted of larruping the poor woman unmercifully. He is now under arrest because that method of exorcising evil spirits is not in accord with the statutes made and provided in that State.

Th[illegible] has drawn the line and r[illegible]easions to the widows [illegible]ho are not dependent upon th[illegible]daily labo[illegible] supports. To be consistent now [illegible] should extend the line and refuse to pay pe[illegible]s to rich men, and to others [illegible]are well able to take care of themselves and are not dependent on pensions. This would remove so[illegible] of the pension abuses.

An Af[illegible]s editor who can't see anything remarkable in the statement that some New York gi[illegible] "kneads bread with her gloves o[illegible] announces that he "needs bread with his pants and shoes on," and if his delinquent subscribers don't come to the scratch soon he'll be needing it without anything on.

A Missouri woman who was promised a divorce, hastened to marry a preacher before the decree of divorce was entered. Her precipitousness provoked the Judge, who refused to grant the divorce, and now she finds herself with an old husband and a new one, one too many.

Big noses are not always ornamental, but sometimes they fill the bill, as in the case of a man who established his claim to join heirship in an estate by exhibiting the family nose he wore. There were only two such noses in America. He had one, and his sister the other.

A writer in the Knoxville *Tribune* asks what has become of the wild pigeons, of which there were millions in this country a few years ago, but now not one. They have entirely disappeared and some think have found a habitat in South America.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CLYDE LINE—Sailing days.
W. B. COOPER—Holiday goods.
S. W. SANDERS—Postum cereal.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

WANTED—Office manager.
J. S. MCEACHERN—Graham flour.
FOR SALE CHEAP—Peerless bicycle.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Gov. Russell is in the city.

— Col. John F. Bruton, of Wilson, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. L. McLean, of Maxton, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. C. D. Jacobs has taken a position at the postoffice.

— Mr. N. F. Nixon, of Little River, S. C., was here yesterday.

— Capt. Jas. S. Hartsell, of the A. C. L., arrived last evening.

— Mr. Landon C. Jones, of Fayetteville, arrived last evening.

— Mr. A. J. Batts, of Topsail Sound, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. John Sheehan is able to be out again after an illness of two months.

— Mr. H. W. Shelton, a prominent tobacco dealer of Richmond, is in the city.

— Mr. A. G. Fennell, of Little River, S. C., was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

LOCAL DOTS

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— British steamer *Skidby*, hence for Bremen, arrived out Tuesday.

— Receipts of cotton yesterday were 2,055 bales, against 896 last year.

— The unusual whistle blasts which were heard throughout the city yesterday afternoon were from the tug *Wm F. McCauley*.

— The STAR regrets to hear of the destruction by fire of the residence of Mayor Everett, of Rockingham. The origin of the fire was not ascertained.

— A fine sample of middling cotton was exhibited at the Produce Exchange yesterday. It was grown in Jones county, and brought to the city by Mr. Walker Meares.

— There will be a meeting of the board of directors of the Merchants' Association this afternoon at 4 o'clock at their office in the Seaboard Air Line building, North Front street.

— The County Auditing Committee, consisting of Col. F. W. Foster, Col. Roger Moore and Commissioner Jordan Nixon, held a meeting yesterday afternoon at 2 30 o'clock.

— Last night at the wigwam of Eyota Tribe No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men, seven pale faces were adopted, and after they had been scalped by the braves they were treated to oysters.

— Mr. B. H. Woodell, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of North Carolina, who is now in the city, will to-night visit Wilmington Lodge No. 189. A picked degree team will initiate a candidate.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—418 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 10 bbls tar, 9 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—890 bales cotton, 29 casks spirits turpentine, 178 bbls rosin, 44 bbls tar, 18 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—299 bales cotton, 15 bbls rosin, 8 bbls tar, 10 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—186 bales cotton, 16 casks spirits turpentine, 16 bbls rosin, 17 bbls tar.

Wilmington & Newbern R. R.—156 bales cotton, 26 bbls rosin.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—108 bales cotton, [illegible] casks spirits turpentine, 23 bbls tar.

[illegible]mer W. T. Daggett—9 bales cotton, [illegible] casks spirits turpentine, 55 bbls [illegible]tar.

[illegible]Mary Wheeler—49 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 16 bbls rosin.

Total receipts—Cotton, 2,055 bales; spirits turpentine, 121 casks; rosin, 301 bbls; tar, 145 bbls; crude turpentine, 83 bbls.

Schooner Boxed Moore Towed into Port.

The schooner *Roger Moore*, which was disabled in a gale not long since, was towed up to the city yesterday by the tug *Wm. F. McCauley*, Capt. Jacobs, of Savannah, arriving here at 3 p. m. The schooner is at Skinner's shipyard awaiting repairs.

The tug, with the schooner in tow, left Savannah at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning and will leave on her return trip at 6 o'clock this morning. This is the second trip of the *McCauley* to Wilmington this year. The family of Capt. Jacobs, the *McCauley's* master, reside in Wilmington and he is well known here.

The Smith's Island Case.

The STAR congratulates the heirs of the late Maj. John Walker on winning the first battle for their legal rights in the case involving the title to Smith's Island. Most of the heirs are citizens of Wilmington; and while there are quite a number of them, the share of each will amount to a considerable sum, if the suit is finally decided in their favor, and of this there seems to be very little doubt. Smith's Island is one of the most valuable pieces of property in this section, and will no doubt, before the lapse of many years, be the site of one of the most popular seaside hotels on the Atlantic coast.

Death of Mr. Frank DeR. Young.

The death of Mr. Frank DeRosset Young, of Birmingham, Ala., several days since, removed a man of many admirable traits. He died at the home of his brother-in-law, Mr. R. J. Blackwell, of Marion, S. C., and the telegrams which poured in from Birmingham showed most plainly in what high esteem he was held in the city where the greater part of his business life was spent.

Mr. Young's wife, who survives him, was Miss Emma W. Wright, the youngest daughter of the late Joshua G. Wright, Esq., of this city.

Georgia Rice.

The schooner *May Thompson*, Capt. Cahoon, arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of 3,268 bushels of rice for the National Rice Milling Company. This is the third vessel that has brought rice from Georgia and South Carolina for the mills here. The rice which forms the cargo of the *May Thompson* was grown on the banks of the Satilla river, Georgia.

Bottom Rail on Top.

Yes, yes, the forecast was correct. Two-thirds of the policemen of Newbern and one of the two sergeants are negroes. And the city attorney is a negro, too. Even the distinguished position of "Pump Inspector" is filled by a negro. "There'll be a hot time in the old" State next November when the white men assert their manhood at the polls.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

DISTRESSING OCCURRENCE.

Little Walter L. Parsley Knocked Down and Killed by a Bicycle Rider on Market Street—Particulars of the Deplorable Accident.

"The old must die, the young may die." Sad it is when we realize, perhaps for the first time, the truth of the latter phrase of this familiar quotation, and know that the voice of one of tender age, whose childish prattle has amused the firesids and whose innocence has blessed the home, is stilled forever, and the soul of the one we loved so dearly, and who loved us, has unexpectedly received and responded to the summons of the Creator. Such was the death of young Walter L. Parsley, Jr., aged five years and six months.

Yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock, young Walter, together with two playmates of about his age—little Dorothy and Nelson MacRae—children of Mr. Hugh MacRae, was playing in the street about a half a block east of his father's residence, which is on Market street between Seventh and Eighth. During the course of the game the children had occasion to run back and forward across the street, and as they were about halfway across upon one of their childish chases, a colored man on a bicycle rapidly approached the group of children from the direction of Seventh and Market streets. The rider halloaed to the children, warning them of their danger, and rang the bell on the bicycle. Not possessed with the cool judgment of older heads, the children were dumfounded, and young Walter stood still and in another moment the bicycle struck him on the right hip, knocking him to the ground where he struck his head severely, probably upon a rock, and was rendered unconscious. Little Nelson MacRae also received a blow in the accident, which luckily was neither serious nor very painful, and the bicycle and rider were thrown to the ground. Perceiving that little Walter was seriously hurt, the 'cyclist, Adolphus Thomas, picked him up in his arms and carried him to the home of the injured lad's parents. Medical aid was at once summoned, and shortly afterwards Dr. G. G. Thomas, the family physician, and Dr. William Love were in attendance, and later Dr. A. H. Harriss, but little Walter failed to regain consciousness, and at 5 o'clock the end came.

Death resulted from a fracture of the skull on the left side of the head, and there was a contusion on the right hip.

The deceased is a son of Mr. Walter L Parsley, and was a bright little lad, possessed of a cheery and loving disposition, and was one who had many friends among the older people and who loved dearly and was loved in return by his playmates.

The accident is said to have been unavoidable. Adolphus Thomas, who is a man about thirty five years of age, and who follows the vocation of a shoemaker in this city, was seen by a STAR representative last night, and he expressed the deepest regret. As to how the accident happened Thomas made the following statement, viz:

"I was standing on the north side of the corner of Market and Seventh streets when I was told that some stevedores, whom I had been in the habit of renting my bicycle to, were on Eighth street. I jumped on my wheel and had gotten about half a block when I saw five little children running across the street from the south side—three girls and two little boys—Mr. Parsley's little boy was in the lead, and was being followed by Mr. MacRae's boy. I halloed to them and rang the bell, and as I saw Mr. Parsley's boy was looking back watching Mr. MacRae's boy I attempted to stop, and just at that time Mr. Parsley's son saw me and stopped short and my wheel hit him, throwing him down, and Mr. MacRae's boy, who was close behind, fell over the wheel, bruising himself. The wheel did not run over Mr. Parsley's boy, but threw him the same as if he had been lifted and thrown. Mr. MacRae's boy fell over after the wheel was down. I picked Mr. Parsley's son up and carried him to his mother."

Thomas later went to the City Hall and was locked up till the accident can be investigated.

Balloon Ascension and Parachute-Drop.

Mr. Charles Thompson, Dr. Blue Mountain Joe's æronaut, made a splendid balloon ascension yesterday afternoon. The balloon went up from the tent on Front street between Church and Castle streets, and the daring passenger landed in Oakdale Cemetery. There would be something decidedly suggestive about this latter statement if it were not for the fact that Prof. Thompson's trusty parachute opened up at the proper moment and let him down safely and gracefully. There were crowds of people in the streets watching the performance.

Public Address at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday Next.

Mr. H. P. Anderson, of Asheville, International Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, is expected to address a mass meeting at the Y. M. C. A. next Sunday afternoon. He will be in the city several days and will be the guest of Mr. B. G. Worth. The mass meeting will be for women as well as men.

Death of Officer Woebse's Infant Son.

The friends of police officer H. H Woebse will sympathize with him sincerely in the loss of his little boy, Otto Albert, who passed away yesterday evening at 6.50 o'clock at the age of one year and eight months. The funeral will be conducted this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence, 609 Swann street. The interment will be made in Oakdale cemetery.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cent This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculte the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always advance.

AT ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Marriage of Miss Margaret Engelhard Meares to Mr. William B. Thorpe—A Notable and Pretty Wedding.

The marriage celebration of Mr. William B. Thorpe and Miss Margaret Engelhard Meares, both of this city, yesterday evening at 5.45 o'clock at St. James' Episcopal church, was a notable and pretty event.

The arrangements for the joyous occasion were carefully planned and as skillfully executed—the flowers, which tastily adorned the altar and surroundings, were selected for beauty and culture, and the high taste of the decorative artist was displayed in the harmonious blending of the many varieties of flowers, each of which possessed a delicate and beautiful shade of color, properly placed. All the little details of the ceremony attested fine management, and the bridal procession as it passed gracefully up the centre aisle of the church was a most majestic and fashionable one, and presented a picturesque sight grouped around the altar, while Rev. Rob't Strange, D. D., rector of the church, joined the two loving hearts together in the holy bonds of matrimony; at the conclusion of which the organ melodiously pealed forth and the bell merrily rang out the happy announcement of the forming of the union.

The bridal party entered the church in the following order, and while Lohengrin's wedding march was being rendered on the organ by Mr. E. H. Munson, viz: Messrs. Thos. H. Wright, H. M. Chase, J. M. Brand and Will Crosswell, ushers; Mrs. B. F. Baird, of Philadelphia, Miss Lucy Thorp, of Rocky Mount, sister of the groom, and Misses Sallie Potter and Maude McLeod, of this city, and Messrs. R. B. Davis, Jr., Joe Ramsey and J. C. Brasswell, of Rocky Mount, and Mr. Jno. C. James, of this city, bridesmaids and groomsmen; Miss Eliza McPherson, maid of honor; Miss Sue Meares, sister of the bride, maid of honor; Master Hal Boatwright and little Miss Annette Claypool Munds, cousin of the bride, bridesmaid and groomsman; Miss Meares, the bride, leaning upon the arm of her father, Mr. Walker Meares. Mr. Thorpe, the groom, entered the church from the vestry room, accompanied by his cousin and best man, Mr. A. A. Thorpe, of Rocky Mount. While the bridal party were retiring from the church Mr. Munson rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march on the organ.

From the church the bridal party were driven in carriages to the residence of the bride's father, where refreshments were served to the party, while the bride was changing her costume to a handsome travelling suit, preparatory for an extended tour North, leaving on the 7.15 o'clock Atlantic Coast Line train.

The bride was attired in a fashionable white silk gown *en train*, and carried a choice bunch of bride's roses. The maids of honor were habited in stylish gowns of pink silk and carried bouquets of pink carnations. Each of the bridesmaids was dressed in beautiful gowns of white organdie, trimmed with roses, and each carried a bouquet of white carnations. The gentlemen attendants wore the conventional black.

The presents received by the contracting parties were many and costly, attesting love and friendship.

The bride is one of Wilmington's popular daughters, and the groom holds a responsible position in the auditing department of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorpe upon their return will reside on South Seventh street.

THE DOLL'S BAZAAR.

Spectacular Presentation of "A Dream of Fair Women"—The Entertainment Will Close To-night.

Another large crowd of people were in attendance last night at the "Doll's Bazaar," given by the Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church, and thoroughly enjoyed the splendid entertainment.

Commencing about 8 o'clock, the superb orchestra, which has received many high compliments, rendered several choice selections—"Iron Cross" (overture), "Niagara" (quickstep), and "Black America" (two-step).

After the playing by the orchestra a magnificent spectacular production of Tennyson's "A Dream of Fair Women" was given upon the large stage at the south end of the hall, which presented a rare scene of loveliness, festooned with evergreens, palms and choice cut and pot plants, while the effect of the different colored rays of light cast upon the beautiful surrounding decorations of flowers by many prettily shaded banquet and piano lamps arranged deftly on the stage, was enchanting.

The poem, "A Dream of Fair Women," was read with ease and grace by Miss Hattie Taylor, who possesses the rare gift of an exceedingly sweet and well modulated voice, and at different intervals during the reading of the poem the fair women, each magnificently costumed in the fashion of the period they represented, made their appearance upon the stage and formed a semi-circle in front of "Cleopatra," who gracefully reclined upon a couch in the rear.

The young ladies who participated in this charming entertainment and the characters they impersonated were as follows: Miss Eva Willis, as Ellen of Troy; Miss Louise Corbett, as Iphigenia; Miss Sallie Bryan, as Cleopatra; Miss Annie Hankins, as Jepthah's daughter; Miss Annie Taylor, as Rosamond; Miss Mary Shepard, as Joan d'Arc; Miss Annie Bowden, as Margaret Moore; Miss Carrie White, as Queen Eleanor.

Again to-night the Bazaar will be open, and the entertainment will embrace a combination of the two programmes rendered the previous evenings. Admission, 10 cents.

— Revs. W. B. Oliver and F. H. Farrington and Mr. D. L. Gore left yesterday for Oxford to attend the Baptist State Convention.

BRAGG'S LETTER A SLANDER.

His Charge That Fort Fisher's Garrison Was Drunk at the Bombardment False—Dr. F. O. Hawley, a Participant, Indignantly Denies the Story.

(*Charlotte Observer.*)

I have just read the article written by Gen. Bragg to his brother in Sunday's issue. To say I am disgusted, is putting it mildly. To say I am surprised would not be true. Nothing emenating from this source of bad omen could surprise me. In the first place Gen. Bragg was not at Fort Fisher nor could he be induced to go or send any assistance to the fort. He would listen to nothing suggested by either of those noble and brave officers. I allude to Gen. Whiting and Col. Lamb. No better or braver soldiers fought for the Lost Cause. I speak advisedly, being an eye witness. I was wounded on that same Sabbath day as was Gen. Whiting and Col. Lamb and was captured at the same time they were, and it is false and slanderous to accuse the Fort Fisher garrison of being drunk or quartered in bomb proofs. No more desperate struggle was made during the war and never did soldiers behave more nobly. Gen. Bragg was responsible for the fall of Fort Fisher, as all who were in the fort at the time of the bombardment believe, and if Col. Lamb and Gen. Whiting could have exercised their will and better judgment no doubt the results would have been different. I read carefully the article by Col. Lamb, published in the *Observer* recently, and testify to the correctness of all he said.

As to all the officers and most of the soldiers being drunk, it is absolutely false. We had no time to look up anything to eat, much less to drink. I was in it all, from the beginning to the end, and can truthfully testify to the fact that not one drop of spirits did I see or smell, nor did I see any one drunk. Now who has the best right to know the facts and to be believed——an eye-witness on the ground or Gen. Bragg in Wilmington, twenty miles away, and out of the reach of any guns?

Two of the officers, Capt. K. J. Braddy, in command of one of the cannon, and Capt. C. H. Blocker, aid on staff, both of whom were kinsmen of mine, and were, of course, close connected, Capt. Blocker being the one who carried me to the rear after I was wounded, will, no doubt, as well as all who were in the fort condemn this letter of Gen. Bragg's as maliciously false or as cruel negligence of duty in ascertaining the facts.

Sad, indeed, for the Confederacy, was the day Gen. Bragg was put in command at Wilmington.

A careful reading of the history of our late war will show that Gen. Bragg was a signal failure. His conduct and bad generalship in the matter of the defence of Fort Fisher finds its counterpart in his campaigns in the West.

General Bragg had made a reputation for inefficiency before he was called to the defence of the "gateway of the Confederacy," and no slanderous, trumped-up charge of his, published more than thirty years after the lamentable event, can detract from the immortality of glory won by the splendid Whiting and the superb Lamb and their followers, or save him from the condemnation he has received and deserves.

F. O. HAWLEY.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 6th, 1897.

CAPE FEAR AND YADKIN.

Flurry in Its Securities Caused by Reports Favorable to the Interests of the Holders.

[*Baltimore Sun, Dec. 8th.*]

A flurry in the securities of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad yesterday stirred up some excitement on the Stock Exchange. Compared with prices of a week ago, 10 per cent. more was bid for series A bonds 11¼ per cent. for series B, and sales of series C were made at an advance of 18 per cent. over what was offered for them a week ago. During the day B bonds sold from 47 up to 49, with 50¾ bid at the close, and C bonds sold from 47¼ up to 51.

Two reasons were given by the street for these advances One was the settlement of the differences between the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern Railway promising more stable rates, and the other was the belief that the Court of Appeals would affirm the decision of Judge Simonton ordering that the road should be sold as an entirety and not by divisions. If this decision is upheld the plans of the Baltimore reorganization committee will be carried out.

It is understood that a reorganization of the property will develop the appearance in control of a strong railway interest. In some quarters the Southern Railway is regarded as likely to get control of the property, while others believe that an alliance with the Seaboard Air Line will be formed. At a meeting of the company's bondholders in Baltimore about two years ago propositions were submitted by both the Seaboard and the Southern. The Seaboard offered to operate the whole property and the Southern's bid was to take division A. Under Receiver Gill the road has been put in fine physical condition and the earnings are reported to be greater than at any time in the history of the road.

Labor-Saving Invention.

Mr. J. B. Farrar, of this city, is the inventor of quite an ingenious machine—a tire-holder for forges. The machine is especially adapted for use in any blacksmith shop where vehicles are repaired, as it does away with the old clumsy process of heating tires, and saves the loss of much time and labor. The machine is nicely constructed, and suspends a tire of any size in the forge, and then revolves it through the flame, thereby preserving the same temperature of heat at all parts of the tire. Mr. Farrar patented his invention at the patent office in Washington, D. C., the 2nd of last month.

Magistrates' Courts.

The case against John Swindell, the colored boy charged with being implicated in the larceny of two ladies' cloaks, was transferred from the Police Court yesterday to Justice Bunting, before whom Swindell will be tried to-day. Justice Bunting has also three other cases against Swindell, one charging carrying a concealed deadly weapon and two charging assault with a deadly weapon.

Account Christmas holidays the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets between points in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, at rate of four cents per mile one way for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 23nd to 25th, inclusive, and December 30th to January 1st, inclusive, limited to January 4th, 1898.

— Mr. Murray Forbes, of Portsmouth, one of the S. A. L. travelling passenger agents, is in the city.

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DIED.

PARSLEY—WALTER LINTON PARSLEY, Jr., eldest son of Walter L. and Agnes MacRae Parsley, December 8th, 1897, at 5 p. m.; aged five years and six months.

Funeral from the residence of his parents, No. 711 Market street, at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

WOEBSE—At 6.50 p. m. yesterday, OTTO ALBERT, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Woebse, aged 1 year, 8 months and 10 days.

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Superintendent.
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 9, 1897

CONFIDENCE.

During the last Presidential campaign the gold men played the "confidence" game on the country, and played it strong. If we could just get confidence to come in and make herself at home, we would be all right, for then prosperity, with all that this implies, would come waltzing in and make itself at home, too. Enough of the voters, stimulated by the contents of Mark Hanna's hat or other persuasives, took them at their word, elected Mr. McKinley, retired Mr. Bryan from the Presidential arena for that time, declared for "sound money," and then the joyful chorus was raised that "confidence was restored" and we were solid. And prosperity was right on her heels. The furnace fires were lighted, the idle hands were put to work, the railroads were giving out orders for thousands of tons of new rails and thousands of new cars to be ready to handle the immense volume of business that was coming, and all that sort of thing. But it wasn't long before they began to sing low, for it was either a bogus confidence that skipped in or she soon skipped out.

The rise in the price of wheat, which was not among the contemplated factors as confidence or prosperity propellers then, gave them an opportunity to make some more remarks on that line, but even with all that things are lagging in a sluggish sort of way, and they say it is because we have not got a sufficient stock of confidence. The installment that came with the triumph of "sound money" and the election of McKinley got a set back recently when the free silver fellows showed such discouraging vitality and pugnacity in the late elections. There are some of the organs, however, which believe that confidence hasn't been quite knocked out. The New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* is one of these. It discusses as follows:

"Do the foreign capitalists who are looking askance at American securities realize what is signified by the fact that since early in August the gold reserve in the Treasury has increased $17,000,000, and since about the period of the national election it has increased $43,000,000? The Treasury is actually embarrassed by the desire of the banks to deposit gold with it and take out legal tender notes. There have been times within a very small number of years when the embarrassments of the Treasury were of a very different character. Four times since 1893 the desire of financiers to deposit legal tender notes and take out gold became so very pressing that the Treasury had to issue bonds in payment for the gold that its creditors demanded. Now the gold in the Government vaults is greater than at any other time in the past half dozen years, and it is still increasing and likely to go on increasing for some time. If silverism were liable to triumph in this country, if the ability or the disposition of the Government to maintain the gold standard were as doubtful as its ability was thought to be a few years ago, the gold would now be in private vaults and the legal tender notes would be in the Treasury. That American financiers are giving up their gold and taking the notes of the Government is the best possible evidence that they have no apprehensions of these notes being paid in silver, and they are far better judges of the probabilities than any foreign financiers are. So long as American capitalists are able to absorb the American securities foreigners are unwilling to hold, the foreign unloading amounts to a highly advantageous discharge of our European liabilities. The increased railway earnings, the increased exports of manufactured goods, the expanding trade in all directions, reconcile Americans to the ownership of their own means of production and transportation, even though the immediate occasion of that ownership be European distrust of us. We trust ourselves, and in due time the foreign financiers who sold when prices began to go up will be buying again at the top of the market to the great pecuniary profit of Americans."

The paper from which we quote is not afraid that silverism will prevail and is therefore not apprehensive that we will run short on confidence. Confidence is a good thing. Men must have confidence in each other, for if they didn't things would become fearfully mixed, and citizens must have confidence in their Government, for if they didn't that Government would get in a very bad way.

But isn't there a good deal of bunco and rot in this confidence talk? What do they mean by it? Is it the confidence that the millions of toilers and wealth-producers have in the Government, or the confidence of the few who manipulate the money, and buy bonds? It seems to be that when the latter are satisfied with the standing of the Government the confidence requirements are complied with, and we can feel safe. In other words, Government policies must be so shaped and so carried out as to meet the approval of the select few and thus retain their confidence, regardless of how those policies may affect the millions who in time of war sustain the Government and in time of war and of peace produce the wealth and the revenues to keep the Government running and enable it to meet its obligations. It may be all well enough to retain the confidence of the few when their demands are just and reasonable, but there is a pretty well grounded conviction that one of the principal causes of trouble with this country has been that in pandering and yielding to the unreasonable demands of the select few to retain their confidence this Government has forfeited the confidence of the masses, without whose support and sustaining power it would be weak indeed.

Where is the cause of all this agitation that has been witnessed within the past few years if not in the belief that the bond manipulators and the money changers had gotten possession of the Government and were shaping policies and dictating legislation in their own interests and against the interests of the masses, who are looked upon as mere tribute payers to the dictatorial few? Populism, agrarianism and other isms, however extreme, mistaken or impracticable they may be, are simply protests in some form against this perversion of the Government, this abuse of the law making power, and this betrayal of the people, whose confidence in the Government made it the great Government it was, before it fell into the hands of the patriots for revenue, who put up jobs on it and then threaten it with a loss of confidence if it fails to carry out the job according to the terms they propose.

Perhaps it may not be an orthodox view to take of it from a gold man's standpoint but we can't help believing that the Government would come nearer filling the purpose of its creation, and its mission as a Government "of the people, for the people and by the people" if it endeavored more to merit and retain the confidence of the people even at the risk of losing the confidence of the money changers and bond dealers, who support it principally for what they can make by the operation. When it comes to a choice between the two the Government ought to be with the people, who support it in peace and defend it in war. It is the confidence of these it should seek to win and make strong.

MINOR MENTION.

Senator Butler has denied, or made pretence of denying, (for it isn't a denial in fact), the truth of the charges made against him as to certain slanderous utterances in his Rocky Mount speech. He is apparently very much shocked and quite indignant that such language should be attributed to him. It may be incidentally observed that his indignation was not aroused until he saw that extract from the Rocky Mount paper copied by other papers, with such comments as it suggested. But it wouldn't be such a remarkable utterance for Mr. Butler after all, for he had previously said substantially the same thing in his *Caucasian*, the difference being that what he wrote then was written with thought and deliberation, and what he said at Rocky Mount might have been uttered in warmth and without due deliberation. The editor of the Windsor *Orient*, who referred to the file of the *Caucasian*, found the following in the issue of September 30th, about two weeks before the Rocky Mount speech was delivered:

"This awful crime of rape, the condemnation of which should be prompted by sincere motives and honest purposes, is used in a hypocritical manner * * * * for base and partisan ends, and all the time they are condemning the nature of the crime they are secretly longing for more rapes that they may better play upon the prejudices of the people."

Insert the word "hire" in this and it would fit the Rocky Mount case to a dot. Of course the persons he had in mind when he wrote as "secretly longing for more rapes that they may better play upon the prejudices of the people," were Democrats, and consequently there is no need to insert "Democrats." But perhaps Senator Butler may wriggle out of this by saying that it wasn't "Senator" Butler who wrote that but "Editor" Butler, as it wasn't "Senator" Butler but "Editor" Butler who carried his pocket full of free passes on the railroads. Under the circumstances, in the presence of the above extract that would be about as good a defence as any he has made.

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Simultaneously with the report that lower prices are to be made in staple cotton goods comes the report that "a large percentage of the manufacturers of Fall River, Mass., are in favor of reducing the wages of their employes as one method contributing to the relief of the situation." A few days ago cotton goods went down in the Eastern markets to the lowest figure, according to the dispatch, ever touched in the trade. Here is a practical illustration of the "McKinley prosperity" which the "advance agent" hurried up. There were lower prices than previously under the Wilson tariff, the result of lower duties and free raw materials, but while there was more or less depression then, the higher protection advocates charged it all to the Wilson tariff which "put out the fires in the furnaces," closed the shops and sent the workmen tramping through the country. Of course this was a lie, for the manufactures as a general thing were more prosperous then than they are now, the workmen got as high, if not higher wages, and prices never touched the low mark they have reached since the new tariff went into operation, and there was no wheat famine in Europe then and no "dollar wheat" in this country. It will not do to attribute this to overproduction, for the manufacturers have a way of guarding against that at least to some extent, just as they have been doing all along. The true reason is that the masses of the people are compelled to economize, and are consequently purchasing as little as possible, notwithstanding the great prosperity which the high tariff organs tell them they are enjoying. But a sufficient answer to all this is the frozen fact that the manufactures are complaining more than they have complained for years.

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It seems to be very difficult to get definite information as to the status of and progress on the Panama Canal. Sometimes it is reported that work is being pushed vigorously, that a large number of workmen are employed, and that its completion cannot be far off. It was stated sometime ago that an English company had secured a controlling interest in it, and that they were rushing the work with the purpose of anticipating the Nicaragua scheme and completing their canal before work could be commenced in earnest on that canal, concluding that the completion of one would prevent the construction of the other. The report of Consul General Gudger, at Panama, to the State Department, under date of December 3rd, is the latest we have in reference to this. The substance of his report is thus given by wire:

"He says that it is whispered that England is doing all in her power to obtain control of the canal. France may not push the work forward, but some other nation or some other company will surely do so if those in charge forfeit their rights.

"The canal when completed will extend from Colon on the Atlantic to Panama on the Pacific, fifty-four miles. All along the route are sheds full of new and costly machinery. It was estimated the latter has cost $100 000,000 and that there has been expended on the canal a total of $275,000 000. A conservative estimate is that the canal is about one-third finished, but with the new machinery on hand it is said the remainder of the work can be completed for $150,000 000. The report is that a force adequate to finish the project in from seven to ten years will be put to work. During the next sixty days a committee is to investigate the progress of affairs, and an effort will be made to get more money to continue operations. The canal is practically completed from Colon to Bajeo, fourteen miles, but this is the least expensive part. The great difficulty is in passing the Calebria Ridge. The width of the canal will be 100 feet wide at the top and 72 feet at the bottom, except through the ridge, where it will be 78 feet wide at the top and 29 feet at the bottom."

They have undertaken a very stupendous work, but in these days money can do almost anything, and if we keep fooling with the Nicaragua canal they will get there before we begin, and then the gates from ocean to ocean will be in control of rival powers.

BOOK NOTICES.

The literary reader, and readers generally, will find *The Bookman* for December, Christmas number, one that they will enjoy and profit by the reading of, as it presents a character of matter not often found in other magazines. Published by Dodd, Meade & Co, New York.

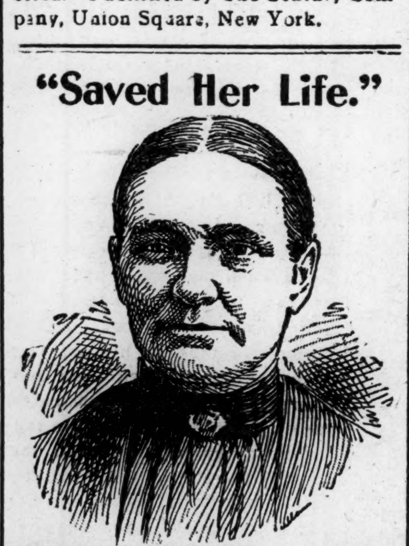
The Atlantic Monthly contains an excellent list of contents for December, varied and interesting. The range is wide and the average reader cannot fail to find much that will both entertain and instruct. Published by Haughton, Mifflin & Co, No. 11 East Seventeenth street, New York.

The reader will find *The Review of Reviews* for December a very valuable and interesting number, filled as usual with much instructive matter and copiously illustrated. The special features of this publication would make a good magazine in themselves. Published by The Review of Reviews Company, 13 Astor Place, New York.

The Christmas number of *The Ladies' Home Journal* is a gem, beautifully and artistically illustrated and filled with choice reading matter, much of which is devoted especially to the seasons. In addition to this and the usual departments is a very rich romance entitled "The Lost Child." Published by the Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia.

The Century Magazine for December is a superb number, splendidly illustrated, and filled with a character of matter that is in keeping with the excellence of the illustrations. A considerable portion of it is presented especially for the Christmas season, in which both young and old are interested. Published by The Century Company, Union Square, New York.

"Saved Her Life."



MRS. JOHN WALLET, of Jefferson, Wis., than whom none is more highly esteemed or widely known, writes. "In 1890 I had a severe attack of LaGrippe and at the end of four months, in spite of all physicians, friends and good nursing could do, my lungs heart and nervous system were so completely wrecked, my life was despaired of, my friends giving me up. I could only sleep by the use of opiates. My lungs and heart pained me terribly and my cough was most aggravating. I could not lie in one position but a short time and not on my left side at all. My husband brought me Dr. Miles' Nervine and Heart Cure and I began taking them. When I had taken a half bottle of each I was much better and continuing persistently I took about a dozen bottles and was completely restored to health to the surprise of all."

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A Charming New England Lady Tells Her Experience Both Abroad and in America.

The unwritten romances of life are more wonderful and far more interesting than the most vivid works of fiction. The one we are about to relate occurred in real life, and is both interesting and instructive.

Mrs. Jennie Ray formerly lived in Manchester, N. H. Her home was pleasant, her surroundings comfortable. In the year 1880 she visited England, and while in that country began to experience strange sensations. At first she attributed them to the change of climate, but they continued and increased, until finally, like many another woman, she became utterly discouraged.

It was while in this condition that Mrs. Ray returned to America and her home. Thousands of women who read this story can appreciate the condition in which Mrs. Ray then was and sympathize with her suffering. Two prominent physicians were called and endeavored to do all in their power for her relief. In spite, however, of their skill, Mrs. Ray grew weaker and more depressed, while the agony she endured seemed to increase. It was at this time that a noted physician who was called declared Mrs. Ray was suffering from cancer, said there was no help and told her friends she could not live more than a week at the farthest.

And here comes the interesting part of the story, which we will endeavor to tell in Mrs. Ray's own words. She said:

"Unknown to all these physicians, I had been using a preparation of which I had heard much. I didn't tell the physicians because I feared they would ridicule me, and perhaps order its discontinuance. During all the while that the physicians were attending me the preparation was steadily and faithfully doing its own work in its own way, and I had faith in its power. At last the doctor said there was no use of his coming, for he could do me no good. I had suffered so much that I was quite willing to die, but it seems that I was nearer relief than I knew. One week from the day the doctor last called a false growth, as large as a coffee cup, and which looked as though it had been very large, left me. I sent for a doctor, and he declared it was a fibroid tumor, but said he had never known one to come away of itself before. I immediately began to gain health and strength, and I unhesitatingly declare that my rescue from death was due solely to the marvellous effects of Warner's Safe Cure, which was the remedy I took unknown to the physicians, and which certainly rescued me from the grave. It is my firm belief that many ladies who are said to die of cancer of the womb are cases like mine, and if they could be induced to use Warner's Safe Cure, they, like me, might be saved."

The above graphic account is perfectly true in every respect. It is said that "truth is stranger than fiction," and when the thousands of suffering, helpless women who are upon the road which physicians say leads only to death, consider the story as above given, there is reason for hope and joy, even although they may be now in the depths of despondency and misery. To such ladies the above truthful account is willingly given.

TWINKLINGS.

Fond Mother—"Isn't the baby the very image of his father?"

Neighbor—"Yes; but you shouldn't mind that so long as he's healthy."

First Nurse—"I'm afraid I can't come with you to morrow."

Second Nurse—"Why not?"

First Nurse—"Well, I don't like to leave the baby with its mother."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— He—"I told your father we expected to be married next month, and he was wild."

She—"What did he say?"

He—"He wanted to know why we couldn't make it next week."—*Puck.*

— Friend—"When did you begin taking lessons on the wheel?"

Novice—"Two days ago."

Friend—"How are you getting on?"

Novice—"Most of the time."—*Louisville Courier Journal.*

— Kenna—"I understand you've bought a dog to keep burglars away?"

Henna—"Yes."

Kenna—"You are not troubled any more at nights, then, I suppose?"

Henna—"Only by the dog."—*Up to Date.*

— Crimsonbeak—"That woman fortune teller is a fraud."

Yeast—"What makes you think so?"

"Why, she advertised that she would tell any one's age."

"Well?"

"She wouldn't tell her own."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Diggs—"Do you see that man on the corner?"

Bigg—"Yes."

Diggs—"You say you see him, and yet he is out of sight."

Biggs—"Why, how is that?"

Diggs—"He's blind."

— Bullett—"Lambley made $50,000 by a single transaction in oil yesterday."

Bearett—"Is it possible? How did he manage it?"

Bullett—"A rich aunt of his tried to start a fire with a can of it."—*Chicago Daily News.*

— Hewitt—"Does your wife miss you when you are away?"

Jewett—"She misses me when I am at home."

Hewitt—"What do you mean?"

Jewett—"She can't throw a cup straight."—*Judge.*

— Mattie—"I'm so sorry, dear, to learn that death has robbed you of your favorite poodle. How can you ever console yourself for his loss?"

Helen (sobbing)—"I d don't know; b but I s suppose I'll h-have to g get m-married."

The diseases cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla are many, because most ailments disappear as soon as the blood is enriched and purified by it. †

—— If congress would adopt the Georgia method of catechising members with regard to prospective legislation, better progress than heretofore might be made on some of the big questions that are pending.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

Consumption Positively Cured.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: Sheriff W. N. Kinney went to Marganton yesterday morning to carry a young married woman, by the name of Essick, to the Insane Asylum. The woman's husband had never rode on the cars and couldn't be induced to make the trip.

— Raleigh *Press-Visitor*: Alfred Impey, an African prince, is at the Shaw University here. He is 20 years old and is a grandson of the late King Kama, of South Africa. His father was named Impey Kama and his mother Balise. His uncle, King William, is now the King and his cousin, Meta Kama, is the only person between him and the throne.

— Raleigh *Times*: A great number inquiries are being received at the capitol, especially by the Auditor and Secretary of State, in regard to Revolutionary officers and soldiers. A woman in the West wrote to find out something in regard to those bearing her name who served in that war from this State. It was found on investigation that there were plenty of them who joined the army but nearly every mother's son of them had "deserted" opposite his name.

— Greensboro *Record*: Promptly at 2.30 o'clock this (Tuesday) afternoon Robert S. Ryan stood before Judge Spencer B. Adams and received the sentence of death. The Judge gave the order slowly and distinctly, commanding that Ryan be remanded to jail until Thursday, the 23rd day of December, 1897, on which day, between the hours of 8 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, he should be taken by the sheriff to the place appointed "and there be hanged by the neck until he is dead, and may the Lord have mercy on your soul."

— Danbury *Reporter*: Mr. Joel F. Hill, a prominent citizen of the county, has fallen a victim to a most distressing disease. A few days since he had occasion to read a newspaper, when he found that he had not the remotest remembrance of the art of reading. This is a rare disease, and probably the only instance of its occurrence in this part of the State. The disease is pronounced by Dr. W. V. McCanless to be aphasia, or the entire obliteration of that faculty of the mind pertaining to letters. Mr. Hill is one of the best known and most respected citizens of the county. He has been several times honored with the confidence of the people, and his misfortune is greatly deplored by all his many friends.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Miss Flora Jane Campbell died yesterday at Paolia, Harnett county, in her fiftieth year. —— A trade was consummated to-day by which Fayetteville will profit largely. It is the purchase of the Phœnix mill building in Campbellton by Mr. Ed. Williamson, of Graham. The purchase price is $5,000. The building, as is well known, was erected on the co-operative system for a cotton mill, but the scheme failed, after $6,200 had been spent in the construction of the building. Mr. Williamson is interested in the large Saxapahaw mill near Graham and is one of the most popular and best known young manufacturers in the State. He will stock the Phœnix building with a 5,000 spindle yarn plant.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: We regret to learn that W. W. McCormac, a merchant of Rowland, was forced to the wall last week by the dull trade and inability to collect money due him on notes and mortgages. He made an assignment on Wednesday, naming S. McIntyre, of this place, as trustee. The liabilities are about $8,000 and the assets will approximate that amount. —— F. M. Stafford & Co., of Chattanooga, Tenn., recently submitted a proposition to the town council to purchase at par the $11,000 of bonds for water works and sewerage. The council has accepted the proposition and negotiations are now pending to close the transaction. As soon as the financial part of the question is settled work will be begun on the water works and sewers.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— Austro Hungary seems to be a nation of sportsmen. There are recorded very few instances in which the races have worked a population up to such a high pitch of excitement as that manifested by the people of Austria for the past month. If there ever was need for anti-gambling law, there would seem to be need for one in the Hon. Francis Joseph's empire now.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

—— "Congressman Hepburn, an Iowa Republican, says it would never do to adopt the currency reform schemes suggested by those who would begin by retiring the greenbacks. 'Why,' he says, 'if we should pass a law on these lines at this session Iowa would not return a single Republican congressman next fall, and the Republicans would lose a senator from that state."—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

The meeting of the executive committee of the Ohio Valley Bimetallic League at Greensburg yesterday was the first step toward an aggressive campaign in Indiana next year. The statement of a prominent silver Republican that the silver Republicans will vote for the Democratic ticket is significant. There is not a doubt that the Democrats will win in Indiana, and since the Republican pretensions in favor of international bimetallism have been exploded, will undoubtedly result in great accessions to the Democratic party in all of the Central and Western states.—*Louisville Dispatch Dem.*

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December 8, Wednesday, E P—S Barnabas Murfreesboro.

December 9, Thursday, Communion—S Barnabas, Murfreesboro.

December 9, Thursday, E P—S John's, Winton.

December 10, Friday, Communion—S John's, Winton.

December 12, Sunday 3d in Advent, M P—Grace, Woodville.

December 12, Sunday 3d in Advent, E P—S Mark's, Roxobel.

December 16, Thursday, E P—S Thomas, Windsor.

December 17 Friday, Communion—S Thomas, Windsor.

December 19, Sunday 4th in Advent—Holy Innocents, Avoca.

December 25, Saturday, Christmas, M P—Advent, Williamston.

December 26, Sunday after Christmas—Grace, Plymouth.

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Sides ℔ ℔	6 @	7½
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6 @	7½
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5 @	5¼
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	5½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each.	@	1 20
New City, each	@	1 20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	@	22
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 00 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15 @	18
Northern	18 @	25
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	44 @	45
Virginia Meal	41 @	45
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	85
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	10 @	11
Dairy, Cream	@	11
State	10½ @	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	20 @	
Rio	8 @	19
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	@	17
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
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Low grade	@	3 75
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Straight	@	5 00
First Patent	5 25 @	6 00
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½ @	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bags—White,	@	45
Car load, in bags—White,	@	44
Oats, from store	@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	@	40
Cow Peas	@	55
HIDES, ℔ ℔—		
Green	@	6
Dry	@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—		
Clover Hay	80 @	85
Rice Straw	@	50
Eastern	@	90
Western	@	85
North River	@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½ @	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	5½ @	6
North Carolina	6 @	10
LIME ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
Barbados, in hhds	@	26
" " in bbls	@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds	@	26
" in bbls	@	28
Sugar-House, in hhds	12 @	14
" " in bbls	14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls	12 @	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	@	1 50
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	@	9 50
Rump	@	9 25
Prime	@	9 25
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum	@	1 10
Liverpool	@	60
Lisbon	@	
American	40 @	60
On 125 ℔ Sacks	@	40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 60 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu'd	@	5¼
Standard A	@	5⅛
White Ex. C	@	4⅞
Extra C, Golden	@	4⅝
C, Yellow	@	3⅜
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½ @	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	@	9 00
Mill, Prime	@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	4 50
Common Mill	4 00 @	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary	@	3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50 @	5 00
" Sap	4 00 @	4 50
6x20 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern,	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	2 00
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed	8 @	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, December 8

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 30½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 29½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market dull at $1 15 per bbl for Strained and $1 20 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet; $1.40 per barrel for Hard, 1 90 for Dip and 1.90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm, $1.45, $1.50; tar steady, $1.10; crude turpentine quiet, $1.40, 1 90, 1.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	121
Rosin	301
Tar	145
Crude Turpentine	32

Receipts same day last year—52 casks spirits turpentine, 362 bbls rosin, 65 bbls tar, 43 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 5⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	2 15-16	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	4¼	" "
Low Middling	4 15-16	" "
Middling	5⅝	" "
Good Middling	5⅝	" "

Same day last year, middling 7c.

Receipts—2 055 bales; same day last year, 896.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@45c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 50c; Fancy, 75c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 47½@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—$1.00@1.05 per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2 25; six inch, $2.25 to 3 25; seven inch, $5 50 to 6 50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8—Evening.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan 2 and closed offered at 1½@2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485½@485¾ for demand; 482½@482¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 483½@484 and 486½@487. Commercial bills 481½. Silver certificates 59½@60½. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 46¾. Government bonds firm; new fours, registered, 128½; new fours, coupon, 128½; fours, registered, 112½; fours, coupon, 114; twos, registered, 99; fives, registered, 114½; fives, coupon, 114½. State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 125; North Carolina fours 103.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40@1 45. Spirits turpentine steady at 32½@33½c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 8.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 30c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 9.—Spirits turpentine opened firm at 30½c; sales 850 casks; closed firm at 30½c bid; receipts 940 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 1,766 barrels; receipts 5 539 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The variations in cotton on 'Change to-day were confined to the exceptionally narrow scope of six points. Throughout the session the market was quite featureless, trading was for the most part on a local basis and very little of that, the entire day's business amounting to but 92,000 bales. The market was finally steady net unchanged to three points higher.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Evening.—Cotton dull; middling 5⅝c.

Cotton futures opened steady at the decline and closed steady, with sales of 92,800 bales; January 5 72, February 5 76, March 5 80, April 5 85, May 5 91, June 5 95, July 5 99, August 6 03, September 6 03, October 6 05, December 5 69.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 5⅝c; middling gulf 6½c; sales 26 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 1 541 bales; gross 5,297 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,094 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 51 bales; forwarded 2,845 bales; sales — bales; sales to spinners 26 bales; stock (actual) 87 570 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 69 620 bales; exports to Great Britain 37,762 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 20 609 bales; stock 1,063,971 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 256 316 bales; exports to Great Britain 99,632 bales; to France 38,692 bales; to the Continent 59 185 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 4,844,851 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,889 787 bales; exports to France 404 816 bales; exports to the Continent 1,054,576 bales.

Dec. 8.—Galveston, firm at 5 7-16c, net receipts 12,969 bales; Norfolk, steady at 5½, net receipts 4,440 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 5⅝, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 5⅝, net receipts 2,152 bales; Wilmington, steady at 5⅝, net receipts 2,055 bales; Philadelphia, not quoted, net receipts 603 bales; Savannah, quiet at 5 3 16, net receipts 7,176 bales; New Orleans, steady at 5½, net receipts 16 564 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5 3-16, net receipts 2 646 bales; Memphis, firm at 5 5 16, net receipts 3 154 bales; Augusta, steady at 5½, net receipts 1,169 bales; Charleston, steady at 5 3 16, net receipts 1 818 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8—Evening.—Flour firmly held but quiet; no higher; Wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 99c f. o. b. afloat; options opened firm and with few exceptions ruled strong all day, influenced by another squeeze of December shorts, small Northwestern receipts, unexpected decrease in the world's stock and French export buying; closed ⅝@1c net higher; No. 2 red January closed 97½c; May closed 93⅝c; December closed 97½c. Corn—spot firm; No. 2 33⅝c f. o. b. afloat; options opened steady and were dull all day, with some firmness on near months, owing to heavy export purchases; closed unchanged to ⅛c net higher; May closed 33⅝c; December closed 31⅜c. Oats—spot dull; No. 2 26½@27c; options were dull all day, closing unchanged; May closed 27⅜c; December closed 26⅝c. Lard steady; Western steam $4 35; December $4 50, nominal; refined steady; Continent $4 75, South American $5 15; compound 4@4½c. Pork steady. Butter—market steady; Western creamery 14@24c; do. factory 11½@14c; Elgins 24c; imitation creamery 13@19c; State dairy 13@20c; do. creamery 14@24c. Cheese firmer; State, large white September 8½@8¾c; light skims 6@6½c; part skims 4½@5½c; full skims 3@4c. Petroleum dull. Rice steady. Coffee—spot Rio firm; No 7 invoice 6½c; No. 7 jobbing 7c; mild quiet; Cordova 8½@15c. Sugar—raw strong; fair refining 3⅜c; centrifugal 96 test 3 15-16c; refined firm.

CHICAGO December 8.—Wheat sold to-day at $1 01 and closed at $1.01½c, or 2c above yesterday's close. May also advanced ⅝c. Receipts in the Northwest at last are falling below those of last year. This fact caused anxiety among the shorts and was undoubtedly the principal reason for the advance. Other markets were uninteresting. Corn closed a shade lower, oats unchanged and provisions 2½@7½c lower.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Cash quotations: Flour market was steadier. Wheat—No. 2 spring 88@93c; No. 3 spring 81½@93c; No. 2 red $1 00@1 00½. Corn—No. 2, 25⅝@25¾c. Oats—No. 2 21¾@22c; No. 2 white f. o. b. 24½c; No. 3 white f. o. b. 23½@23¾c. Rye—No. 2, 46½c. Mess pork, per barrel $7 35@7 40. Lard, per 100 lbs $4 25@4 27½. Short rib sides, loose, $4 15@4 50. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 45@4 65. Whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 19.

The leading futures ranged as follows: opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—December 99, 101, 98¼, 100¼; January 90, 91¾, 90, 91½c; May 89⅝@90, 91, 89⅝@89¾, 90½@90⅝c. Corn—December 25½, 25½@25¼, 25½, 25½c; May 28⅜@28¼, 28½, 28⅜, 28⅜c. Oats—December 21¼, 21½, 21½, 21½@21½c; May 22½, 22½, 22½, 22½c. Mess pork, per bbl—December $7 30, 7 32½, 7 30, 7 32½; January $8 25, 8 25, 8 20, 8 22½; May $8 47½, 8 50, 8 42½, 8 45. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $4 15; January $4 25, 4 25, 4 25, 4 25, May $4 40, 4 42½, 4 40, 4 42½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—December $4 17½, 4 17½, 4 17½, 4 17½; January $4 17½, 4 20, 4 17½, 4 17½; May $4 32½, 4 32½, 4 27½, 4 27½.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 8.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat strong; spot and month 97¾@97⅞c; January 98@98½c; May 93½c bid; steamer No 2 red 93⅝@92½c; Southern wheat by sample 93@98½c; do on grade 93½@98½c. Corn dull; spot 33@33½c, month 32½@32¾c; December, new or old, 32@32½c; January 31⅜@31⅝c; February 33c; steamer mixed 31@31½c. Southern white corn 30@34c; do yellow 31@35c. Oats steady; No. 2 white Western 29½@30c; No. 2 mixed do 27@27½c.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8.—4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in fair demand and prices lower. American middling fair 3 9-16d; good middling 3 5 16d; American middling 3 7 32d, low middling 3 1 16d; good ordinary 3 15 16d; ordinary 2¾d. Sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1 000 were for speculation and export, and included 9,400 American. Receipts 36 000 bales, of which 29 000 were American. Futures opened easy with a moderate demand and closed irregular. American middling (l m c): December 3 9 64d seller; December and January 3 8 64@3 9 64d seller; January and February 3 8 64@3 9 64d seller; February and March 3 9 64d seller; March and April 3 9 64@3 10-64d seller; April and May 3 10 64@3 11-64d buyer; May and June 3 12 64d seller; June and July 3 13 64d seller; July and August 3 14 64 value; August and September 3 15-64d seller; September and October 3 16 64d seller; October and November 3 17 64d seller.

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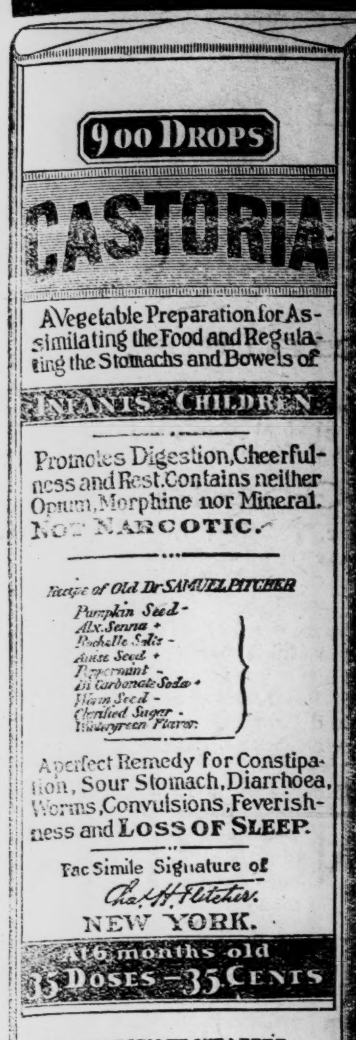

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Leap Year Parties.

The opportunity should not be missed. These parties afford rare fun if properly managed. The boys invite the girls and the girls ask the boys to accompany them. The girls choose their partners for dancing and for supper. In short, reverse the usual order of things and you cannot go astray at a leap year party. Plan it all beforehand so that it may work smoothly.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Right of Way.

In a crowded street keep to the right. Should you wish to break this rule remember that you should turn aside to the right when others wish to pass you. It is courteous, whether you or the stranger has the right of way, to turn aside for your elders or for those who have a burden.

She Smelled Them Whole.

Little Ethel had run across the road to make her usual call upon Aunt Jennie and stopped suddenly in the kitchen, exclaiming, "Oh, my! I smell apples, auntie!" "I should think you might, dear; there is a pan of parings." "But, auntie, I smell whole apples!"—Youth's Companion.

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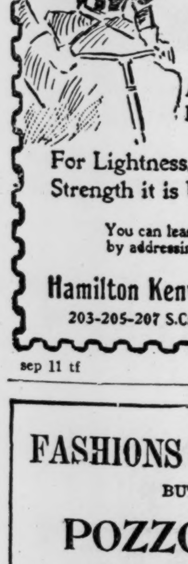

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And then, I own, 'tis doubly dear
When loving lips like yours express it.

And yet when calmly I reflect
How much is due to Cupid's blindness,
Forgive me, dear, if I suspect
Your praises only prove your kindness.

Whatever virtues I may boast
(And slight, indeed, is my profession),
The one you praise and prize the most
May be the least in my possession.

You call me "constant" and revere
A mind so steady and unswerving,
But never poet yet, I fear,
Of such applause was quite deserving.

The poet's constancy at best
Is like the bee's—voluptuous rover—
Still constant to his honey quest,
Though found in apple bloom or clover.

And do I thus my faith impeach
As one untrue to love's vocation?
A moment's patience, I beseech,
And you shall hear my explanation.

Suppose the bee, so prone to stray
As fancy bids from bower to bower,
Should chance to find some lucky day
A wondrous honey bearing flower,

Which, though she sipped and came again
As often as the day was sunny,
Quite unexhausted should remain,
An everflowing fount of honey.

Such praise as she might fitly claim,
If ne'er again she proved a rover,
So much (the cases are the same)
Is due your fond and faithful lover.
—John G. Saxe in New York Ledger.

CONSCIENCE.

It was raining, not hard, but a soft, whispering downfall that blurred the outlines of the hills, crowned with glory of deodar and rhododendron, and hardly flecked the smooth surface of the lake that they held between them.

The only two Europeans out in the dreary afternoon were a young man and a girl, who had sheltered under a rock that overhung a hill path some 30 feet above the water. The girl sat with hands clasped round her knees, sailor hat tilted over her eyes and damp hair straggling about her forehead. She was looking across the lake at the hills above and beyond it, and the other, who, by his smooth young face, was hardly more than a boy, was looking at her. He had been playing polo. His white breeches and long boots were splashed and stained, and there was a glimpse of a jersey under the covert coat. He was thin and white, and his eyes were anxious.

"You are always right," he said, "and if you were not I should still believe in you. But—is the thing so impossible?"

"It is impossible," she said. "I dare not do it. I dare not take the best of you now, giving my base metal for your gold and say, 'This is my portion—only mine.' Do not mistake my meaning. I love you as well as I am able, but the mightiest love that I can produce is not fit to be weighed in the scale against yours. This is not my fault; it is my misfortune—the result, I think sometimes, of my upbringing. Thank God, I can see my limitations, and to tie you to me now would be to cripple you for life, and in the end to damn both of us. This is your first love, you say. It has been born too soon. It may not come to fruition. Neither shall it be poured out for me, who am unworthy. Driven back into your heart again, it will leave the power you now expend upon it to be used to better purpose."

"You and I differ in our estimates of you," he said. "You paint yourself all weakness, all hollowness, all contradiction, and yet here to my power, as you are pleased to call it, you oppose a will so strong and inflexible that nothing I can do will bend it."

"That is because I love you," she said. "It is the utmost I can do—my supreme effort. If I loved you a little less, if my eyes were not gifted for the time with this inner sight— But, there, let us put aside sentimental considerations for a moment and think of what it means from the worldly point of view. Aren't you penniless? Am I not thriftless and destitute of that femininity—I can't define it better—that most women get as their birthright? There's a superficial cleverness about me which you, in your honest heart, admire, but how far does it take me to getting 16 annas for my rupee or putting a tidy hem to a dishcloth? I can't worry over these things in the approved housewifely fashion. It's not in me. Trifles? No, those are the realities of life. And, even granting that love could teach me these things—which I doubt—still you could not do it. Wouldn't you have to leave the regiment and give up your place among your equals and lose your right to let men know you for what you are?"

"I can't put aside the consideration that I love you better than all these things," he said slowly. "It is the finest regiment on earth, I admit, but you are the only woman. Well, yes, it would mean poverty. That is why I am a madman to ask you to share it. But you are not afraid of that."

"Oh, yes, I am!" she said. "I am an arrant coward in addition to my other shortcomings. Only I could do with it because I have never known anything better. You don't know what it is, really. You have a bother to meet your bills sometimes, and that is bad, but they are paid somehow, and you don't have to do actually anything less than what the others do—men who have money and interest to set against your brains. Given time and no millstone round your neck, you will keep level, and then you will begin to forge ahead. It is hard for a man to rise by sheer worth, but it is possible, only he must have a free hand and no one to think of but himself.

"But married— The aspect would change at once. And even though you were still as good as other men, even perhaps a little better, I should know what you had missed, and why. Perhaps it is that I am too proud for you to give up the best of your life for me. That must be it. Yes, I am too proud."

"Why should we not wait?"

"Why, indeed? Well, since you must have it, I have pictured it often enough. I have seen you in the flush of your youth at the outset of your career—and I believe that career will be a high one—set down to wait for a distant happiness. You don't see me. I am removed. I see you afraid to venture this move or that move—and you know there are always risks in the life game—because you are waiting. I see you dulled to what is going on around you, dulled to the present need and the present opportunity, because you are waiting. I see you waiting on without regret, and gradually, gradually, the spirit is sapped out of you, the ambition to be anything but as other men are. The fine temper that is in you now is numbed, and after that there remains mediocrity, which in you would be failure. And for the man you should be there will only be a somebody in the ruck, whereas you were made for the van."

"I don't understand."

"No, that is my part. And then again there is my side to look upon. I am to go away from you and to be without you for years and years. I shall never forget you; I shall not cease to love you; I shall always think of you tenderly and hungrily, because I am your love and you are mine. But, at the same time, I am only myself, a poor, patchy, inconsistent thing. Other people stronger than I will come by and influence me more because they are nearer than you at a distance—not because they can dim the love for you, understand."

"Can you do without me?" he said.

She wrenched herself away and burst into a wild fit of crying.

"Oh, my God, what a brute I am!" he said. "My darling—listen. Ah, stop crying. You make my heart bleed. I cannot assent to what you say of yourself, I cannot follow what you say of me. You are more sensitive than I; you catch sounds and signs where I neither hear nor see. But I have learned enough to know that I only torture you by my persistence, and that I do not move you one inch from your position. It is your wish that we should part, and so it must be, and perhaps some day I shall understand. I know that you are making a great sacrifice and that it is for me. You will forgive me if I cannot yet see clearly wherein is the urgent necessity. You stooped to me in your condescension, you made me your lover for always. I loved you—I worship you, and I hold it to my honor to have had your love."

He put his arm round her again and drew her head down to his shoulder, and her sobs shook him as they sat thus. Presently the sobs became fewer, and then came only at long intervals.

She spoke at last.

"It must be. I am not worth it—not worth your love. And you will be a better man—yes, and in the end a happier one. Believe in me if you will, at least it can do no harm now that we are to be apart. Hold me close for a minute, since it is the end. Oh, where could the world show another such lover?"

And from the future that was closing down upon them she plucked the veil savagely.

"I am glad. Yes, I am glad to lose you."

"You're tired. Suppose we sit it out instead of dancing?"

"Yes, that will do," said the girl. "I am tired."

The music had begun before the man spoke, and two or three couples swept into the ballroom as he crossed it with the girl on his arm. It was a stuffy night, gemmed outside with the lights of the street and of carriages moving slowly before the entrance and crowded within by a London semifashionable throng, bent in a bored way upon amusement. The big hall, green with palms and dark with carved oak, was full of a kaleidoscopic mixture of bright dresses, expansive shirt fronts, babble of voices and laughter, and beyond there was a glimpse of the supper room, starred with lights and resounding with the jingle of plates and glasses. The girl and the man walked through together and down a corridor to a couple of chairs in the shelter of a Japanese screen. Opposite them a French window framed a patch of garden hung about with paper lanterns, and above that came dusky tree tops and the stars.

The girl, who was the girl of the hillside, leaned back in her chair and twisted a fan about with restless fingers. Certainly at the moment she looked tired. The man twirled his mustache up, first one side and then the other. It was touched with gray, and his hair was flecked, too, but his face was that of a man in his prime—masterful, square jawed and obstinate. There was a deep line from nostril to mouth corner, and his hands were strong and shapely. He crossed his legs, tilted his chair back until he could watch the girl's profile without being guilty of staring and spoke.

"I believe you wanted to speak to me?"

"People take it for granted that I am—am—going to marry you. It is intolerable."

"Ah!" He dropped his mustache and tilted the chair back a little more. "Why intolerable? I am told I am a most eligible person."

She twisted the fan nervously.

"I dare say. I do not want to discuss your eligibility. That is a matter which does not concern me. What does concern me is that I will not be made the subject of these rumors. You know how they come about and where the remedy lies."

"Said remedy being, of course, my extinction, self produced? I know a better one."

"No."

"Don't be in too much of a hurry with that negative. Consider a moment. Is it all due to my persistence and my constant presence? Doesn't some of it come from a casual interest that you take in me, and that shows itself, as these things will, to a too observant world?"

"I am not in the least in love with you, if that is what you mean."

"Oh, no; not at all. I am in love with you, and that suffices—for the present. But still, you take an interest, all the same."

"I suppose so. It is that you fascinate me somehow, and your obstinacy frightens me. I never met a man who was so little moved by my wishes and my words."

"Excuse me. I shall have the greatest pleasure in gratifying some of your wishes."

"Meaning, if I want a toy out of a shop window. My wish is that you take 'no' for an answer and go away."

"And that is what I will not do. No; I love you, and I am going to marry you. Let there be no mistake about it. My love may seem rather brutal—men's passions are brutal under some conditions—but it is a solid affair and it will give you something firm to lean upon and to stand by. You will find me a fairly easy husband when you have realized the futility of pouting at the inevitable. There is the tender side to my love that will give you much, be proud of you, cherish you and stick to you. I'm not a small minded person, and I am wonderfully easy to deal with when I have my own way. That will not be very difficult to give. It only wants—you."

"But why—why—why?" said the girl. "Why should I give myself to you? Just to please your passion? I am not much of a woman, but I have a soul of sorts."

"Well, partly, I suppose. You don't expect a man to make love violently to establish platonic friendship, do you? But I am not a brute, though I am a man. I have watched you since we met, and I have got your character off fairly well. You are undecided about most things; you are obstinate in a weak fashion; you have a supersensitive character that gives you a great deal of pain, and the weapons with which you essay to fight a rough world cut your own hands when you use them. Come to me. I will do the fighting. I will lead, and instead of falling back on your own judgment, too shifting to be reliable, you will have me always behind you to turn to. As to the love, that will come. I fascinate you, you say. You take a fearful pride in the thought that I am your lover, because I am a lover in whom a woman may well be proud. Yes, I don't care to sham becoming modesty just now. And

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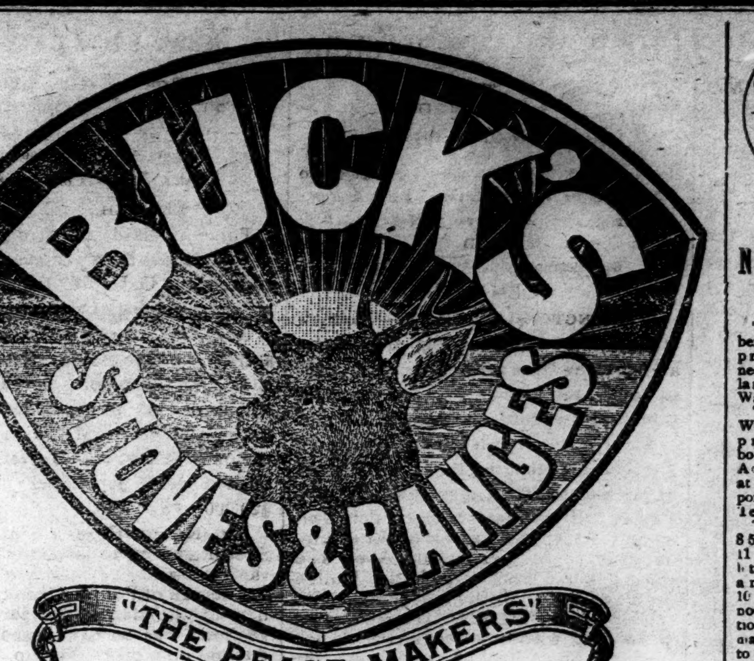

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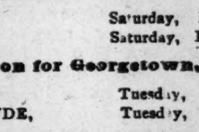

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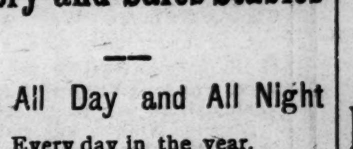

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DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.57 p m, Weldon 1 47 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.36 a m, Richmond 4.10 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.25 a m, New York 2.03 p m, Boston 9.00 p m.

DAILY except Sunday 2 10 p m — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 3 58 p m, Newbern 5 20 p m.

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DAILY 4.00 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.09 p m, Chadbourn 5.40 p m, Marion 6.40 p m, Florence 7.10 p m, Sumter 9.30 p m, Columbia 10.[illegible]0 p m, Denmark 6.30 a m, Augusta 8.20 a m, Macon 11.30 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.55 p m, Savannah 1 58 a m, Jacksonville 8.20 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 6.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.03 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.52 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12 47 p m, Wilson 2 37 p m, Goldsboro 3.27 p m, Warsaw 4.11 p m, Magnolia 4 21 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.20 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 6.01 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.22 a m, Goldsboro 7.01 a m, Warsaw 7.53 a m, Magnolia 8.05 a m.

DAILY except Sunday 12 3 p m — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9 20 a m, Jacksonville 10 42 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.00 a m, Sanford 1.50 p m, Jacksonville 8.10 p m, Savannah 1 48 a m, Charleston 6.33 a m, Columbia 7.00 a m, Atlanta 8 20 a m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.50 p m, Sumter 8 25 a m, Florence 10 05 a m, Marion 10.41 a m, Chadbourn 11 45 a m, Lake Waccamaw 12.16 p m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3 55 p m, Halifax 4.30 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leave Kinston 7 50 a m, Greenville 8.52 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 18 a m, Weldon 11 33 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 a m and 2 30 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 4 00 p m; returning leave Parmele 9.35 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 00 a m and 7.20 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4 05 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m and 6 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.20 a m and 4.15 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.00 a m, arrive Latta 10.18 a m, Dillon 10 40 a m, Rowland 11 05 a m., returning leaves Rowland 6 10 p m. arrives Dillon 6.29 p m, Latta 6.48 p m, Pee Dee 7.05 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 11.50 a m, arrive Conway 2 10 p m, leave Conway 2 45 p m, Chadbourn 5 45 p m, arrive Hub 6.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 33 p m, Manning 7.03 p m, arrive Lane's 7 3[illegible] p m, leave Lanes 8.28 a m, Manning 9.05 a m. arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7 55 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 9.14 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.35 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 9 55 a m, arrive Darlington 10 28 a m, Cheraw 11 40 a m, Wadesboro 2 25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.[illegible]5 p m, arrive Darlington 9.[illegible] p m, Hartsville 9 55 p m, Bennettsville 9 53 p m, Gibson 10 2[illegible] p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 55 a m, arrive Darlington 10 27 a m, Hartsville 11 10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6 15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7 40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6 45 a m, arrive Darlington 7 3[illegible] a m, leave Darlington 9 [illegible] a m, arrive Florence 9 2[illegible] a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 5 15 p m, Darlington 6 29 p m, arrive Florence 7 00 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 8 2[illegible] a m, Darlington 9 [illegible] a m, arrive Florence 9 2[illegible] a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2 2[illegible] p m, 11.16 p m, arrive Selma 3.15 p m Smithfield 3 22 p m, Dunn 4 [illegible]0 p m, Fayetteville 4.57 p m, 1.14 a m, Rowland 6.10 p m, returning leave Rowland 9 [illegible] a m, Fayetteville 12.22 a m, 10.3[illegible] p m, Dunn 1.[illegible] p m, Smithfield 1.[illegible] p m, Selma 1 5[illegible] p m, arrive Wilson 2 35 p m, 12 [illegible] a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 40 a m, Creston 5 3[illegible] a m, arrive Denmark 6 30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 50 p m, Creston 5 42 p m, Sumter 6 [illegible]0 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 a m, arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 5.05 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 9.05 p m, Returning leave Lucknow 6.05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 8.25 a m and 3.30 p m.

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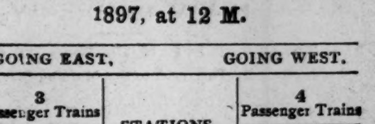

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28th 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 03	Morehead City	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 35 a m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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FILIBUSTERING EXPEDITIONS.

Secretary Gage's Report as to American Vessels—The Case of the Silver Heels.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—Secretary Gage has submitted to the Department of State his report upon the action of the Treasury Department in suppressing filibustering expeditions to Cuba in violation of the neutrality laws, a synopsis of which is furnished by the Department as follows:

"Secretary Gage points out the fact that during two years and a half only six American vessels of an aggregate of 1 881 registered tons are alleged to have successfully landed expeditions from the United States in Cuba. With the exception of the Laurada the six American vessels alleged to have successfully taken part in expeditions in Cuban waters are small tugs and a pilot boat, each of less than 100 net tons, and obviously incapable of carrying large numbers of men or large quantities of ammunition. Three foreign vessels of an aggregate of 1 773 registered tons are alleged to have been successful in the same effort.

"The case of the Silver Heels is included, as the vessel may have been successful, though nothing has been heard of her since her departure, six weeks ago; she may have perished in the severe storm a few days after her departure. Concerning that case, however, it is to be observed that the collector at New York reports that Mr. Hand, representing the Spanish consul, stated to him that he did not desire the vessel detained at the dock, but seized after departure therefrom. Mr. Hand and Mr. Thornhill stated to me that they proposed that the Pinkerton detective agency have the watching of the pier, and they would advise the United States marshal promptly of the departure of the sloop, and that they desired the matter to be left in their own hands."

Secretary Gage makes no estimate of the cost involved, which has evidently been very large, deeming the extent and results of the work performed by the department a better measure of the fidelity of its officers to their oaths and a better standard by which to measure their efficiency.

AFFAIRS IN HAYTI.

The President Issues a Proclamation—Government Taking All Necessary Measures to Maintain Order.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, December 8.—There was a lively fusilade here at 11 o'clock last night. No damage was done.

Count Schwerin, the German Charge d'Affaires, was received by the President this afternoon. The public mind continues agitated and all the regulars and the National Guard are in readiness.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the President issued a proclamation to the people of Hayti, saying that for the second time Hayti had yielded to German force, contrary to its rights. The government, according to the proclamation, had decided to resist even to the last, but owing to the lack of promised moral influence, (the character of which is not indicated in the proclamation) it was obliged to accept the ultimatum.

The proclamation invites the Haytian people to cease internal quarrelling, and to labor for the raising up again of the nation.

M. Frederique, managing editor of the *Journal Impartial* and alleged author of the virulent articles attacking the Germans, who is accused of desiring to excite the populace of this place against the government, was arrested to-day and taken on board a Haytian cruiser. At the moment of his embarkation there was much excitement, but order was soon restored. The government has at its disposition a sufficient number of troops, and is taking all the necessary measures to maintain order.

FALL RIVER MILLS.

Cotton Manufacturers Decide to Reduce Wages of Operatives—A Strike Likely to Follow.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FALL RIVER, MASS., December 8—The Fall River cotton manufacturers at a special meeting to day voted to reduce the wages of the operatives. The cut will not be less than ten per cent, and will affect about 25,000 employes. The cause of the reduction is the depressed condition of the cotton market, which does not enable print cloth, it is asserted, to be manufactured for the price now prevailing, which is the lowest on record.

The attitude of the employes on the matter can hardly be stated until they have had a chance to talk it over, and none of the labor leaders will say much about the subject until meetings have been held. The feeling is prevalent that before the matter is settled there will be a strike, but how large a proportion of the operatives will take part, it is impossible to say. Every effort, however, will be made to avert such action.

HAWAIIAN TREATY.

The Reason It Is Not Pushed in the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—It is stated by those in a position to know that the reason the Hawaiian treaty is not pushed in the Senate is because the friends of the measure have grave doubts as to their ability to secure the necessary two-thirds vote to pass it. The impression prevails that it may be necessary to pass a joint resolution and annex the islands by legislation. It has been found that a number of Senators who were confidently counted for the treaty are against it, while others have expressed doubts about hasty action.

According to a special dispatch from Paris, the French Cruisers Jean Bart, Isly, Alger and Pascal, have been ordered to be prepared for immediate dispatch to China.

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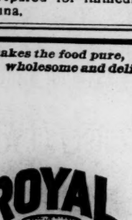

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SPANISH OPINION.

Newspaper Comment Upon President McKinley's Message—Premier Sagasta Thinks It is Satisfactory.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID December 8.—The Premier, Senor Sagasta in an interview regarding President McKinley's message to the United States Congress, is quoted as saying he thinks the message satisfactory "because the threat to intervene in Cuba was made merely to give satisfaction to a portion of the American opinion without the intention of executing it." Continuing, the Premier said that the government would not make a declaration on the subject. He believes the President's words would have influence with the insurgents, and added that the Cortes would not be convoked until the government had ascertained the effect of the message upon the United States Congress.

The *Imparcial*, commenting on the message, says: "It shows a certain cleverness and evil intention when it refers to filibustering expeditions. McKinley speaks with what appears to be excessive cynicism to those who have not lost all notion of justice. This Government must show the Yankees that the Spanish flag floats over Cuba, and that they have yet to tear it down." In concluding, the *Imparcial* remarks: "The manufacture and sale of arms is not the same thing as using them."

El Liberal, also commenting on the President's message, says: "It is more favorable to Spain than President Cleveland's, because it recognizes Spain's intention to enthusiastically labor to re-establish peace in Cuba."

The ministerial *El Globo* praises President McKinley's message.

The Socialist Republican *El Pais* asserts that the message is "shameful" as it "implied the moral bankruptcy of the monarchy."

The Republican *Progresso* takes the ground that the message is a "great humiliation."

La Correspondencia de Espana, the official organ, says that after reflection Spanish opinion on President McKinley's message to Congress is less optimistic than at first. It proceeds to impugn the sincerity of the President's protestation of friendship for Spain and of respect for international obligations, but admits that the message was addressed to Congress principally and in language which, though not intended to please Spain, will annoy jingoes and filibusters."

The Marquis Villamejor, a member of the Senate has written to Senor Sagasta, the Premier, offering 10,000 pounds ($50,000) to start a national subscription for the increase of the fleet.

To-morrow the Carlist deputies will meet to discuss President McKinley's message to Congress. It is said they intend to provoke popular manifestations against the message.

S. A. L. AND SOUTHERN.

Negotiations Pending Looking to a Cessation of Hostilities on Chesapeake Bay.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 8.—There are strong indications that the troubles in the Southern traffic situation, growing out of the independent and aggressive attitude of the Seaboard Air Line, are soon to be ended and that the policy of that company will hereafter be one of peace and co operation. This change of policy on the part of the Seaboard is said to be due to the fact that its conduct has been most expensive and with no material gain for the shareholders.

Within a recent period the Seaboard has manifested a peaceful demeanor to its competitors and it is now stated on high authority that negotiations are pending, in which the Pennsylvania is actively concerned, looking to the cessation of hostilities on Chesapeake bay, which have been in progress for two years between the Seaboard and Southern. The Bay Line and Southern have been maintaining a very unprofitable and peculiar warfare, ostensible in defence of a principle, and the result has been far from affecting a withdrawal from the bay of either line. The Seaboard insisted that the only solution of the problem was the Southern's withdrawal, and in this the Southern did not concur.

There is evidence that an honorable compromise between the two lines is now under consideration, and the prediction is made that the Seaboard will soon co-operate with other Southern lines and be satisfied with its share of the business, with the prospects of dividends in the near future.

THE BICYCLE CONTEST.

Miller Makes a Marvellous Record.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK December 8—At midnight the indomitable eighteen were still pedaling their way around the high-banked floor of Madison Square Garden. From midnight to midnight Miller had put more than 350 miles behind him. This marvellous record on the third day of the great race carried him along to a total of over 1,200 miles in 71 hours; 189 miles ahead of the former record. During this weary journey Miller has left the track but for a few hours. With the exception perhaps of Stephane, the Frenchman, Miller, up to late in the afternoon, had less sleep than any other man on the track. And, notwithstanding this, Miller is seemingly in as good condition as he was yesterday, when experts claimed that he and Rice, the Wilkesbarre coal miner, were in the best shape of all the riders.

The next man to Miller at the present time is Rice, and he is something more than fifty miles behind. But he is strong, and seems to have the same determination that carried him almost to the front in the big race of last year.

Last year's champion, Teddy Hale, whose great ride then promised to be far outdone this year, is now making up ground. He is almost 175 miles behind the leader, but nevertheless he has crept up from tenth place, which he held last night, to eighth place, and is certain to go much higher before the end is reached.

THE GERMAN DEMONSTRATION.

Rumor That China Has Ceded to Germany Kiao-Chou Bay.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN December 8.—It is rumored to-night that China has ceded Kiao-Chou to Germany. Whether the report be true or not, there is every indication in the preparations for the expedition under Prince Henry that a long stay is contemplated.

Emperor William will make the departure of Prince Henry's squadron from Kiel the occasion for an imposing naval display.

The Brandenburg, a first class battleship of more than 10,000 tons displacement, and the Wurtemburg, a second class battleship of nearly 7,500 tons, while coming from Christiania to Kiel to take part in the display, collided. Both vessels were injured, the Wurtemburg so badly that it was necessary to send her to dry dock.

The New York dry goods market shows no change from the dull condition of the earlier days of the week.

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INDEPENDENCE OF CUBA

RESOLUTION PRESENTED BY SENATOR ALLEN OF NEBRASKA.

He Declared the President's Neglect to Take Action an Exhibition of Rank Hypocrisy and a Flagrant Neglect of Public Duty.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, December 8—To-day's session of the Senate occupied less than an hour, the time principally being consumed by the members in the presentation of memorials, resolutions and bills.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, presented a resolution declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that Congress should with all due and convenient speed, acknowledge by appropriate act the political independence of Cuba. Mr. Allen said that he had long urged the United States to recognize the independence of the Cuban insurgents. He would not be content with the recognition of belligerency, but would insist upon the acknowledgement of absolute political liberty. He was satisfied that the people would not be content with the course advised by the administration. Inasmuch as the Cubans for more than two years on many battlefields had demonstrated their valor and love for liberty, he felt that they had earned a recognition of their political liberty and that it ought to be accorded to them without further temporizing. If necessary this recognition should be backed by a fleet of American vessels in Cuban waters. He expressed a belief that the owners of Spanish bonds in this country, American citizens holding property in Cuba, which had been injured or destroyed by the insurgents, and the carrying trade of the country which might be affected by such a step, had joined to prevent the recognition of Cuba's political independence. Mr. Allen expressed the belief that President McKinley's statement in his message that the recognition of the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents is now unwise and therefore inadmissible, would be a great disappointment to members of the Republican party throughout the United States. The national convention of that party had declared in favor of the independence of Cuba, going further than the single recognition of belligerency. He thought that the President was under obligations to carry out the pledge which his party had made—a pledge which had been made to 78 000,000 of people. The President, Mr. Allen thought, had been lulled to sleep by the declaration of Spain that she would give Cuba a semi-political existence. He expressed the belief that the President's neglect to take such action as would insure the political independence of Cuba was an exhibition of "rank hypocrisy and a flagrant neglect of public duty, which would be corrected by the all-ruling Power in His own good time."

At the conclusion of Senator Allen's remarks, Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, presented a resolution expressing the regret of the Senate at the news of the death of Representative Ashley B Wright, of Massachusetts, and providing for an adjournment as a further mark of respect.

At 1 25 the resolution was adopted and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The session of the House lasted only fifteen minutes.

Mr. W. A Stone of Pennsylvania, Republican, reported the pension appropriation bill, the first of the appropriation bills, and gave notice that he would call it up immediately after the reading of the journal to-morrow.

The committee on elections and the committee on banking and currency were given leave to sit during the sessions of the House.

The House at 12 15 adjourned.

FINANCIAL LEGISLATION.

A Sharp Debate in the House Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8—The House Committee on Banking and Currency, which will have the shaping of a considerable portion of the financial legislation before the House, held its first meeting this morning and outlined its general plan of action. In view of Secretary Gage's recommendation of a comprehensive revision of currency and banking affairs, a resolution was adopted inviting the Secretary to embody his views in a bill. The committee was informed that the Secretary was now at work on a measure, and that it would be available for the committee in about a week.

Mr. Hill, of Connecticut, then precipitated a sharp debate by moving that the committee act at once by reporting to the House a bill embodying three of the financial features which had the President's approval. These were embodied in a bill heretofore offered by Mr. Brosius, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Hill now proposed that the first three sections be placed before the House immediately. The three sections provided: Bank circulation up to the par value of bonds deposited; reduction of the tax on circulation to one-fourth of one per cent.; the establishment of small banks in rural communities.

The debate was proceeding with animation when at 12 o'clock the meeting went over, a vote on the Hill motion not having been reached.

PERMANENT INJUNCTION

Restraining the City of Norfolk from Taxing Newspapers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., December 8.—Judge Prentis has rendered a decision in the case of the Norfolk *Virginian* and other daily newspapers against the city of Norfolk in which the plaintiffs sue for permanent injunction restraining the city from collecting a special tax upon newspapers. Judge Prentis makes the temporary injunction granted perpetual, on the ground that this city cannot levy a tax which the State does not impose. The case will be taken up to the Court of Appeals.

SENATOR McLAURIN SICK

Confined to His Bed in Washington With an Attack of Typhoid Fever.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, is confined to his bed with an attack of typhoid fever. The Senator was ailing when he arrived here a week ago, but the typhoid attack did not develop until a day or so ago. He is in the care of Dr. Wellington, assisted by a trained nurse. No apprehension is felt over the attack, as it is not of a violent character and the Senator has a rugged constitution.

John Schwinon, sixty-two years of age, committed suicide yesterday afternoon in Chicago, Ill., by hurling himself from the high bridge in Lincoln Park to the ice, fifty feet below. Schwinon was out of work and despondent.

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NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Delegates Expected at the Baptist State Convention—Yadkin Railroad Case in the Superior Court—The Attorney General—Pullman Conductors.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*

RALEIGH, N. C., December 8.

Three hundred delegates are expected at the Baptist State Convention, which convenes in Oxford to-morrow. Raleigh will send a delegation of twenty-five.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield, the financial secretary of the Baptist Female University, says his report to the convention will show that he has collected $13.000 in the past year. Mr. Stringfield is of the opinion that the University will be opened next September. It will take $30,000 to do this.

Mr. Robert Page, a son of the ex-Sheriff, expects to go to the Klondike in the Spring.

The run of Pullman conductors from here to Chattanooga on the Southern's vestibule has been changed. The conductors now make the trip from here to New Orleans.

To-day the Yadkin railroad case from Stanly county is being argued in the Supreme Court. The commissioners of the county enjoined the treasurer from paying interest on the bonds, for the reason that the railroad failed to live up to its contract. The bonds are for $100,000

It is stated by a friend of Attorney General Walser that he has only practiced a prevailing custom in retaining counsel to assist him in important cases. The records show that more than $40,000 has been paid by the State in special attorney's fees since 1877, when Vance first went into office. The Attorney General, it is said, does not approve of the reckless employment of lawyers in every little case to the extent that Governor Russell does.

MRS. McKINLEY'S CONDITION.

She Continues to Grow Weaker—The President Still at Her Bedside.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CANTON, O., December 8.—Mother McKinley continues to grow weaker. During the evening she again aroused from her palsied sleep. The awakening, however, was not accompanied by any appreciable rally. This was the condition at 11.30 o'clock. Up to that hour the patient remained in the deep sleep in which she reposed all day. When the doctor made his last call, finding her in this sleep, he thought she would live until morning. The President is almost constantly at the bedside, refusing to be relieved by others and to take the rest and exercise he should.

THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

Indications That Congress Will Adjourn December 18th to Meet January 3rd or 4th.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—The indications are that the holiday recess of Congress will extend from Saturday, December 18th, to Monday or Tuesday, January 3rd or 4th. Speaker Reed is understood to favor these dates. If, however, any important business develops in the Senate or House, the recess will probably be postponed until Christmas week. So far as the House is concerned no general legislation will be ready for consideration before the holidays, and work is likely to be confined to the appropriation bills.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

The Emperor Expected to Issue a Decree Prolonging for a Year the Status Quo.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

VIENNA, December 8.—It is expected that Emperor Francis Joseph will shortly issue decrees prolonging for a year the status quo between Austria and Hungary regarding the sharing of imperial expenditures, budgetary and other essential matters.

The Government is continuing the negotiations for a settlement of the language question.

Owing to fears for the safety of the German members the meeting of the Bohemian Diet was postponed.

ELOPED WITH A NEGRO.

The Young Daughter of a Wealthy Couple in Oconto County, Wisconsin.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GREEN BAY, WIS, December 8.—Gertrude Prince, the pretty 19 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Prince, of Hayes, Oconto county, has eloped with William Smith, a negro. The couple were married yesterday by a justice of the peace at Mountain, Wis. The Prince family is wealthy and prominent in the town of Hayes. John Prince, the father, swears vengeance on Smith and has disinherited his daughter, insisting that she can never be forgiven.

WARM WIRELETS

Fordham G. Wicker has been appointed postmaster at Pinehurst, N. C.

Senator Pritchard yesterday introduced a bill reducing the tax on distilled spirits in bond to seventy cents per gallon.

A special from Atlanta says that Gov. Atkinson's veto of the anti-foot ball bill was sustained by the lower house yesterday morning by a unanimous vote.

At Kansas City, Mo., last night, Mrs. Emma Schumacher, keeper of a grocery, was fatally shot by robbers, who demanded the cash in her money drawer.

Horton Gilmore, McWilliams & Co., wholesale hardware dealers, Chicago, assigned to the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank yesterday. The liabilities are $800,000, and the assets $910,000.

Mrs. Florence Van Schaak has begun suit in Chicago against her father-in-law, Peter Van Schaak, asking damages in the amount of $75,000 for alienation of her husband's affections and $50,000 for libel.

Mynatt Leach was hanged at Clinton, Anderson county, Tennessee, yesterday, for the murder of J. D. Heck, superintendent of the Royal Coal and Coke Company of Coal Creek on February 17th last.

The Inter-State National Guard Association, which has been in session in St Louis, will send its executive committee to Washington to urge upon Congress the necessity of appropriating $2 000,000 yearly for the national guard.

The Supreme Court of California dispelled the last hope of W. H. D. Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, by disposing in a summary manner of his two appeals. It only remains to resentence the condemned murderer, which will probably be done to-day.

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CUBA'S WOMAN COLONEL.

Commands a Regiment of Insurgents While Her Husband Fights For Spain.

Near the town of Vuelta Abajo, in the province of Matanzas, in Cuba, Adele Asiny de Pilotro lives on the estate that has been the heritage of her family for a number of generations.

Two years ago she lived a prosaic enough life as the wife of a colonel in the Spanish army. Now she bears the title of colonel herself; but, while her husband leads a flying column of royal-

COLONEL ADELE PILOTRO.

ist soldiers, Senora Pilotro commands a regiment of 300 men who are fighting in the army of the Cuban republic.

Husband and wife are operating in the same district. They are likely at any time to face each other as enemies at the heads of their respective commands.

Senora Pilotro is the only woman fighting for Cuban liberty who holds a commission as an officer. The honor was conferred upon her by Commander In Chief Gomez because she organized and equipped the troop which she commands.

The Spanish colonel, her husband, has known for years of her separate ideas, but that never disturbed their loving relations.

The Pilotro estate is famed for its mineral springs. There are caves all over the property, in which the patriots secreted arms and munitions of war in preparation for the uprising that resulted in the present war.

Senora Pilotro has not engaged in a battle, but she has managed to keep the district to which she is assigned well cleared of Spanish troops. — Boston Globe.

The Barefoot Boy.

"May I go barefooted, mamma?" This has been the cry of the small boy—yes, and the girl, too—for several weeks. Who does not remember the joy and sense of freedom when this permission was granted in the spring. The feet and legs were soon browned, the toes stubbed a little, and sometimes tied up for a day or two, but what mattered this so long as there were no shoes or stockings to worry about? Then there was a suggestive limp, but it was not long until the feet became hardened and accustomed to the bare ground and sharp stones. Healthy? Look at the village boy, bounding and leaping, swimming and running. Why, certainly it is healthy. There is an old farmer who lives not far from this city—a man of the old school—who says in the most emphatic terms that children cannot grow if they wear their shoes in the summer. How can they grow, says he, unless they touch the ground? No more than cabbage and corn.—Louisville Commercial.

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